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Security Council

10:00 — 7529th meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

   Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Peace, Security and Cooperation Framework for the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the Region (S/2015/735)

   Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (S/2015/741)

Morning[1] — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUSCO) (S/2015/735 and S/2015/741)

Other matters

15:00 — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

Middle East (Syria) (S/2015/737)

Other matters

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the 7529th meeting.

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General Assembly

Seventieth session

Main Committees

First Committee

10:00 to 13:00 — 1st meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

Organization of work (A/C.1/70/1, A/C.1/70/INF/1, A/C.1/70/INF/4, A/C.1/70/CRP.1[1] and A/C.1/70/CRP.2[1])

[The First Committee will begin its substantive work by holding general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items from Thursday, 8, to Friday, 16 October 2015.

The Committee will then hold thematic discussions on specific subjects and the introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items from Monday, 19 October to Monday, 2 November (morning). Action on all draft resolutions and decisions submitted under agenda items will be from Monday, 2 November (afternoon) to Monday, 9 November 2015. In the afternoon of Thursday, 22 October 2015, a joint ad hoc meeting of the First Committee and the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) to address possible challenges to space security and sustainability will be held, pursuant to resolution 69/38.

The list of speakers for the general debate *is open until Friday, 9 October 2015*, at 18:00. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to kindly contact Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; Room S-3058). Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, a time limit should be observed of *10 minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *15 minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit. The list of speakers for the thematic discussions will open on Monday, 12 October and close on Thursday, 22 October 2015, at 18:00. The time limit for the thematic discussions is *five minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *seven minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit.

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be forwarded to Mr. Kenji Nakano, Secretary of the First Committee (c/o Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail cianciulli@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; Room S-3058). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales, or form A/INF/70/2, will be accepted by e-mail.

Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378; Room S-3057). Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers on the First Committee QuickFirst Website (*click here*).

For inquiries regarding access to QuickFirst, kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org). An archived video of a 12-minute technical briefing on QuickFirst, presented by the Secretary of the Committee after the 2nd meeting of the sixty-eighth session, on 4 October 2013, is available by *clicking here*, from 41 minutes 10 seconds to 52 minutes 36 seconds.

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The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the First Committee PaperSmart portal (*click here*) only when read out by the delegation.]

[1]Conference Room papers.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

15:00 to 16:00 — 1st meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

Organization of work (A/C.4/70/1, A/C.4/70/L.1, A/C.4/70/INF/1, A/C.4/70/INF/4 and aide-mémoire 01/15 (Limited copies will be available) (Requests for hearing))

[The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items of the Fourth Committee *is now open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of *10 minutes* for statements by individual Member States and *15 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) at the seventieth session of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart4@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Statements will be made available on the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) PaperSmart portal *(click here)* only after delivery by delegations. Delegations are reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) should be submitted, *as soon as possible*, to Ms. Sonia Elliott, Secretary of the Committee (e-mail 4thcommittee@un.org; Room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers by *clicking here*. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Representatives of Member States wishing to be included in the Fourth Committee mailing list are requested to send an e-mail from an official Permanent Mission e-mail address to 4thcommittee@un.org indicating name, delegation and e-mail address.

Delegates may also follow the open formal meetings of the Fourth Committee via Live webcast on the UN Web TV website (*click here*). The direct link to the archived videos can be consulted by *clicking here*.]

Second Committee

10:00 to 13:00 — 2nd meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 2

1. Opening statements

   Statement by the Chair, His Excellency Andrej Logar (Slovenia)

   Statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs

2. Keynote address by Mr. Abhijit Banerjee, Ford Foundation International Professor of Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

3. General debate (*rolling list*)

   South Africa (on behalf of the group of 77 and China)

   Indonesia (on behalf of the Association of the South East Asian Nations)

   Bangladesh (on behalf of the Group of Least Developed Countries)

   Trinidad and Tobago (on behalf of the Caribbean Community)

   Maldives (on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States)

   Sierra Leone (on behalf of the African Group)

   Zambia (on behalf of Group of Landlocked Developing Countries)

European Union

Israel

Nicaragua

Belarus

Peru

Kazakhstan

Colombia

Mexico

Iraq

Iran (Islamic Republic of)

Syrian Arab Republic

India

Kyrgyzstan

Russian Federation

Lebanon

Qatar

Sudan

Turkey

Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Morocco

Republic of Korea

Brazil

Norway

Japan

Algeria

Uganda

Australia

Georgia

Canada

Pakistan

United States

Ukraine

Malaysia

Singapore

Senegal

Nigeria

Maldives

Ethiopia

Sri Lanka

Guyana

Dominican Republic

Libya

Philippines

China

Kenya

Argentina

Cuba

Mongolia

Egypt

Paraguay

Botswana

Myanmar

Viet Nam

Yemen

Holy See

International Renewable Energy Agency

Food and Agriculture Organization

15:00 to 18:00 3rd meeting [webcast] Conference Room 2

Continuation of the general debate (*see rolling list above*)

[The programme of work and status of documentation, including background information and side events for the session are available on the website of the Second Committee (*click here*).

The lists of speakers for the general debate (from *today*, 7, to Friday, 9 October 2015) and general discussion on individual agenda items of the Second Committee *are open*. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the lists should contact, *in writing*, the Acting Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org)).

Deadline for inscription to the list of speakers for the general debate is *18:00* on Thursday, 8 October 2015. Deadline for inscription to the lists of speakers for the general discussion on individual agenda items is *18:00* of the day before the consideration of the item.

Pursuant to General Assembly decision 65/530 on improving the working methods of the Second Committee, delegations are reminded that the time limits of *seven minutes* for individual Member States and *10 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general debate, and the time limits of *five minutes* for individual Member States and *seven minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general discussion on individual agenda items will be observed. The lists of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services are available during the session. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through PaperSmart should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The name of the mission, date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Please note that PDF format is preferred. Statements will be made available on the Second Committee PaperSmart portal only after delivery by delegations.

Delegations are requested to submit, *as soon as possible*, the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Acting Secretary of the Second Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; Room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

For inquiries regarding access to the Second Committee QuickPlace, please contact Ms. Terri Olvida (e-mail 2ndcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8429).

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on Second Committee matters should be sent, *as soon as possible but no later than 17:00* of the day before the meeting, to Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp@un.org).]

Third Committee

10:00 to 13:00 — 3rd meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

15:00 to 18:00 — 4th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

Social development [item 28]

(a) Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly (A/70/173 and A/70/178)

(b) Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family (A/70/61–E/2015/3, A/70/118, A/70/156, A/70/161 and A/70/179)

(c) Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing (A/70/185)

Continuation and conclusion of the general discussion

[The list of speakers for the general discussion on each item of the Third Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, *in writing*, Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail slthirdcommittee@un.org). Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted, as soon as possible, to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail lpthirdcommittee@un.org; Room S-1286)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail. Background information on the work of the Third Committee, including the provisional programme of work for the seventieth session, is available by *clicking here*. All delegations that have not yet done so are kindly requested to transmit to the secretariat of the Third Committee, the completed form listing the duly accredited diplomats of their mission wishing to use the eSponsorship platform and QuickPlace. The form should be emailed to thirdcommittee@un.org. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords for Third Committee QuickPlace and the eSponsorship platform, please contact Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail thirdcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4882).

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on draft proposals should be sent to Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that dissemination of their statements via PaperSmart is available. Delegations wishing to circulate statements electronically should e-mail the statement(s) at least one hour in advance of expected delivery to papersmart3@un.org. The agenda item under which the statement is to be delivered, as well as the date of the meeting should be clearly indicated on the first page of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.]

Fifth Committee

15:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Pre-session informal informal (technical) briefing

Scale of Assessments (by Mr. Lionelito Berridge, Secretary of the Committee on Contributions; and Mr. Herman Smith, Chief, National Accounts Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA)). Members at the *ambassadorial and/or expert level* are encouraged to attend.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

Executive meeting

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law

Informal briefing

There will be an informal briefing (closed), convened by the Chair (Ghana) of the Advisory Committee on the United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law *today*, 7 October 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 12. The briefing is open to members of the Advisory Committee and other interested delegates (Fifth Committee and Sixth Committee).

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

Wednesday, 7 October 2015

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Assistance in Mine Action" (under agenda item 51) (convened by the delegation of Poland)

From 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room A.

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 7 October 2015

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Legal Matters (experts level)

11:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room D

Other activities

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Wednesday, 7 October 2015

High-level presentation of the *Nelson Mandela Rules – the Draft Revised Standard Minimum Rules on the Treatment of Prisoners* (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of South Africa and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

From 10:00 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Matteo Pasquali, UNODC (e-mail pasquali@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5698).]

Event on "Human Rights Council at 10: Assessing the implementation of the General Assembly resolutions 60/1 and 60/251 through a 5Cs approach (Capacity, Competence, Coherence, Communication and Coordination)" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Morocco and the Universal Rights Group)

From 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Omar Rabi, Permanent Mission of Morocco (e-mail omarrabi@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 421-1582).]

Briefing on the *Trade and Development Report 2015* (organized by the New York Office of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD))

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Ena S. Sawh, UNCTAD (e-mail sawh@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6893).]

Event on "Seeking Urgently Needed Effective Solutions: Responding to the Call of Pope Francis to the United Nations" (organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See)

From 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For more information, please contact the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See (e-mail office@holyseemission.org; tel. 1 (212) 370-7885).]

Informal dialogue with the President of the Human Rights Council (organized by the Permanent Mission of Morocco)

From 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 1.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For more information, please contact Mr. Omar Rabi, Permanent Mission of Morocco (e-mail omarrabi@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 421-1582).]

Meeting of the Group of Friends on Desertification, Land Degradation and Drought (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Iceland and Namibia)

From 13:15 to 14:00, in Conference Room 9.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Maria Jónsdóttir, Permanent Mission of Iceland (e-mail mmj@mfa.is; tel. 1 (917) 348-5194).]

Event entitled "Chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear (CBRN) National Action Plans: Rising to the Challenges of International Security and the Emergence of Artificial Intelligence" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Georgia, in collaboration with the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI))

From 15:00 to 17:45, in Conference Room 8. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Giorgi Kvelashvili, Permanent Mission of Georgia (e-mail gkvelashvili@mfa.gov.ge; tel. 1 (212) 759-1949, ext. 208).]

Briefing on the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) (organized by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA))

From 16:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 6.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Susan Le Roux, OCHA (e-mail leroux@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4252).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Wednesday, 7 October 2015

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson

General Assembly
Seventieth session

The General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting on Monday, 12 October 2015, at 10:00, in the General Assembly Hall, to consider sub-item (i) of agenda item 114 (Appointment of the Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services) (note by the Secretary-General (A/70/388)), and agenda item 122 (Strengthening of the United Nations) (report of the Secretary-General (A/70/357)). Delegations wishing to speak are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Meriem Heddache (e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

General Assembly
Seventieth session

The General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting on Tuesday, 13 October 2015, at 10:00, in the General Assembly Hall, to consider agenda item 76 (Report of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994) (note by the Secretary-General (A/70/218)); agenda item 77 (Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991) (note by the Secretary-General (A/70/226)) and agenda item 128 (International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals) (note by the Secretary-General (A/70/225)). Delegations wishing to speak are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Meriem Heddache, e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

Economic and Social Council
Twentieth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific
Jeju Island, Republic of Korea
(6-9 October 2015)

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2014/252 of 17 November 2014, the Twentieth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific, will be held at the International Convention Center Jeju in Jeju Island, Republic of Korea, *until* Friday, 9 October 2015.

The provisional agenda is contained in document E/CONF.104/1*. In preparation of the Conference, delegations are invited to review the documentation and other background information available on the Website of the Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (*click here*).

Representatives of Member States, as well as observers, who wish to attend the Conference, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Conference, Mr. Ziad Mahmassani (e-mail mahmassani@un.org@un.org), with a copy to the Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail laaribi@un.org).

Delegations are advised that all conference documents, including country reports and technical papers, received before the opening of the Conference will be posted on the above Website. Questions of a technical or substantive nature can be addressed to Mr. Amor Laaribi, Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail laaribi@un.org).

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventieth session

The agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly was adopted on 18 September 2015 (document A/70/251), see document A/70/252 for allocation of items. The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly was issued in document A/70/100.

A draft programme of the work of the plenary for the seventieth session is contained in document A/69/972.

List of speakers

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova, e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082).

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

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Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org, or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council

Pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, there will be two elections, at the seventieth session, of the non-permanent members of the Security Council and two elections of the members of the Economic and Social Council.

Specifically, the General Assembly will conduct the elections of five non-permanent members of the Security Council for the term 2016-2017 and of 18 members of the Economic and Social Council for the term 2016-2018, during the main part of the session, in the *fall of 2015*. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council and for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place during the resumed part of the session, in the *spring of 2016*.

Subsequently, these elections will be conducted once during each session of the General Assembly, in the spring, in accordance with the above-mentioned resolution. A memorandum, dated 22 October 2014, was sent by the Director, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council Affairs Division, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, to the Chairs of the regional groups for that month.

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

Organizational meeting

The Fifth Committee is scheduled to hold its organizational meeting on Thursday, 8 October 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3, to consider items allocated to the Fifth Committee by the General Assembly, issued as document A/C.5/70/1. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 1st meeting in Conference Room 5.

The status of preparedness of documentation for the Fifth Committee during the seventieth session of the General Assembly has been issued as document A/C.5/70/L.1.

Background information on the work of the Fifth Committee, including the provisional draft programme of work for the seventieth session of the General Assembly, is available at www.un.org/en/ga/fifth/.

Composition of delegations

Delegations that have not done so are kindly requested to submit, *as soon as possible*, the names of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general discussion on all agenda items before the Fifth Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, in writing, Ms. Ilene McGrade (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org). In addition to providing 25 copies of their statement to the Conference Room Officer, delegations are kindly requested to provide an electronic copy of their statement to the secretariat of the Committee (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org), prior to the start of the meeting.

Sixth Committee

The Sixth Committee will hold its first meeting on Monday, 12 October 2015, at 10:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The provisional programme of work of the Sixth Committee for the seventieth session (General Assembly decision 69/529 of 10 December 2014), as well as background information on the Sixth Committee and links to official documentation to be considered at the seventieth session, is available on the Committee's website (*click here*).

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Sixth Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212)963-5331; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). *Please note* that in the first week, the Committee will deal with agenda item 108 (Measures to eliminate international terrorism), agenda item 85 (Rule

of law at the national and international levels) and agenda item 80 (Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission).

Delegations are invited to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Representatives of member States and observer States may register for access to the Unite Connections community of the Sixth Committee for the seventieth session, through the online form available on the website of the Sixth Committee.

Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the seventieth session of the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of the delivery to papersmart6@un.org. The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the Sixth Committee PaperSmart portal only when read out by the delegation.

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

The Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East will meet on Thursday, 8 October 2015, at 10:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are kindly requested to notify the Secretary, *in writing* (e-mail 4thcommittee@un.org).

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board
Informal briefing

There will be an informal briefing of the UN-Women Executive Board on the Flagship Programming Initiatives on Thursday, 8 October 2015, from 10:00 to *12:30*, in Conference Room 8.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

First Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects" (under agenda item 101) (convened by the delegation of Poland)

Tuesday, 13 October 2015, from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room A.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Assistance in Mine Action" (under agenda item 51) (convened by the delegation of Poland)

Friday, 9 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

Third Committee

Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening the role of the United Nations in enhancing periodic and genuine elections and the promotion of democratization (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of the United States)

Thursday, 8 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room C.

Forthcoming other meetings

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International Criminal Court: Working Group on Amendments (States Parties)

Thursday, 8 October 2015, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 6.

International Criminal Court: New York Working Group (Procedure for the nomination and election of judges)

Thursday, 8 October 2015, from 16:30 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6

Forthcoming other activities

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Briefing on the "International Year of Sustainable Tourism for Development 2017" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Austria, Indonesia, Morocco and Samoa)

Thursday 8 October 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room B.

[All permanent missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Abdellah Larhmaid, Permanent Mission of Morocco (e-mail larhmaid@yahoo.com; tel. 1 (646) 683-5782).]

Briefing on "Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development: Advocacy for Implementation and Global Partnership" (organized by the NGO Relations Section, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information (DPI))

Thursday, 8 October 2015, from 11:00 to 12:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Hawa Diallo, NGO Relations Section (e-mail diallo9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).]

Informal briefing on the World Humanitarian Summit (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Denmark, Japan and Turkey, the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP))

Thursday, 8 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Taro Tsutsumi, Permanent Mission of Japan (e-mail taro.tsutsumi@mofa.go.jp; tel. 1 (212) 521-1508).]

Panel discussion on "The Impact of Autism on Health and Well-being" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea and the NGO Committee on Mental Health)

Thursday, 8 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 11.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Janice Yoon, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea (e-mail jyoon715@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 439-4059).]

Briefing on "The Outcome of the Thirteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and a Roadmap to 2020" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Qatar and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

Friday, 9 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Anne Beckmann, UNODC (e-mail beckmann@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5631).]

High-level event on "Role of African Regional and Sub-regional Organizations in Achieving Regional Integration: the Continental Free Trade Area within the context of the First 10-Year Implementation Plan of Agenda 2063" (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA) and the Permanent Observer Mission of the African Union)

Monday, 12 October 2015, from 09:30 to 13:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact OSAA (Ms. Ecoma Alaga (e-mail alaga@un.org); or Ms. Ndidi Anyaegbunam (e-mail anyaegbunam@un.org)); or *click here.*]

Annual high-level briefing on "Silencing the Guns in Africa: the Nexus between Peace, Security" (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA) and the Africa's Regional Economic Communities)

Monday, 12 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All permanent missions and United Nations system entities are invited. For further information, please contact OSAA (Ms. Ecoma Alaga (e-mail alaga@un.org); or Ms. Ndidi Anyaegbunam (e-mail anyaegbunam@un.org)); or *click here.*]

Panel discussion on "Protecting children from bullying" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Japan and Mexico, and the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Violence against Children (SRSG-VAC))

Tuesday, 13 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Mánus de Barra, SRSG-VAC (e-mail debarra@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-6130).]

Briefing on "Agenda 2063 and its First 10-year Implementation Plan and the United Nations-African Union Partnership on Africa's Integration and Development Agenda (PAIDA)" (organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA))

Tuesday, 13 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 8.

[Members of the Inter-Departmental Task Force on African Affairs are invited. For further information, please contact OSAA (Ms. Ecoma Alaga (e-mail alaga@un.org); or Ms. Ndidi Anyaegbunam (e-mail anyaegbunam@un.org)); or *click here.*]

Briefing on "Building a Path Forward: Update on the International Partnership for Nuclear Disarmament Verification" (co-organized by the United States Mission and the Nuclear Threat Initiative (NTI) (First Committee experts))

Wednesday, 14 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. John Bravaco, United States Mission (e-mail bravacjo@state.gov; tel. 1 (212) 415-4116).]

High-level event on "African Continental Framework on Youth Development: Mainstream into Agenda 2063" (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA) and the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD))

Wednesday, 14 October 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact OSAA (Ms. Ecoma Alaga (e-mail alaga@un.org); or Ms. Ndidi Anyaegbunam (e-mail anyaegbunam@un.org)); or *click here*.]

Annual briefing on two reports of the Secretary-General entitled *Progress on the Implementation of NEPAD*; and *Causes of Conflict and Promotion of Durable Peace and Sustainable Development in Africa* (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA) and the Permanent Observer Mission of the African Union)

Thursday, 15 October 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 6.

[All permanent missions and the United Nations system entities are invited. For further information, please contact OSAA (Ms. Ecoma Alaga (e-mail alaga@un.org); or Ms. Ndidi Anyaegbunam (e-mail anyaegbunam@un.org)); or *click here*.]

Interactive dialogue on "Ensuring the Empowerment of Rural Women through the Sustainable Development Goals" (on the occasion of the International Day of Rural Women) (co-organized by the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women), the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and the World Food Programme (WFP))

Thursday, 15 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Travis Renz, IFAD (e-mail t.renz@ifad.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3061); and Ms. Carla Kraft, UN-Women (e-mail carla.kraft@unwomen.org); or lon-registry@un.org.]

Meeting on "The Role of the United Nations Business Operations in a Post-2015 World" (co-organized by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) and the High-Level Committee on Management (HLCM))

Thursday, 15 October 2015, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 12.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Luigi Demunnik, UNDG/DOCO (e-mail luigi.demunnik@undg.org; tel. 1 (212) 906-6981).]

High-level briefing on the "United States nuclear posture" (organized by the United States Mission (First Committee experts))

Friday, 16 October 2015, from 10:15 to 11:30, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. John Bravaco, United States Mission (e-mail bravacjo@state.gov; tel. 1 (212) 415-4116).]

Observance of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty 2015 (on the theme "Building a sustainable future: coming together to end poverty and discrimination" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Burkina Faso and France, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), the International Movement ATD Fourth World and the NGO Committee for Social Development)

Friday, 16 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Lisa Ainbinder, DESA (e-mail ainbinder@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4607); or *click here*.]

Event on "Building inclusive and peaceful societies through women's participation and leadership: Good practices from the field" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Ireland and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP))

Friday, 16 October 2015, from 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 6.

[All permanent missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Roisin Burke, Permanent Mission of Ireland (e-mail roisin.rurke@dfa.ie); to register, please send an e-mail to arlene.lara@dfa.ie.]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Economic and Social Council

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters
Eleventh session
United Nations Office at Geneva
(19-23 October 2015)

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2015/214 of 9 June 2015, the eleventh session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters will be held from Monday, 19, to Friday, 23 October 2015, at the *United Nations Office at* Geneva, Switzerland.

Background materials, including the provisional agenda and organization of work, are available on the Financing for Development Website *(click here)*.

For further information, please contact the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Michael Lennard (e-mail lennard@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5734).

Announcements

High-level meeting on "Strengthening cooperation on migration and refugee movements in the perspective of the new development agenda" (held on Wednesday, 30 September 2015)

Statements received by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General have now been posted on the event website (*click here*). Delegations who have not done so are invited to send by e-mail an electronic copy of their statements for posting on the website. The statements should be sent to quiogue@un.org.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *October 2015*:

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All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (http://www.un.org/depts/dhl).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Press kit for the seventieth session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventieth session of the General Assembly is now available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available via the General Assembly website (*click here*).

2016 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law — Call for applications

Applications for the 2016 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean and Asia-Pacific, respectively, are now being accepted.

The Regional Course for Africa is scheduled to be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from Monday, 1, to Friday, 26 February 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of African States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 16 October 2015*.

The Regional Course for Latin America and the Caribbean is scheduled to be held in Montevideo, Uruguay, from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 April 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of Latin American and Caribbean States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 30 October 2015*.

The Regional Course for Asia-Pacific is scheduled to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 21 November, to Friday, 16 December 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations and non-member States, which are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 13 November 2015*.

The three Regional Courses will be conducted *in English* in 2016. The organization of the Regional Courses is subject to funding.

For further information, including application forms, please consult the website of the Regional Courses (*click here*); or contact the Codification Division (RCIL-Africa (e-mail rcil-africa@un.org); RCIL-LAAC (e-mail rcil-laac@un.org); and RCIL-Asia-Pacific (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org)).

2016 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme — Call for applications

Applications for the 2016 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, scheduled to be held at the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands, from 27 June to 5 August 2016, are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is *Tuesday, 1 December 2015*.

The Fellowship Programme will be conducted in *French* in 2016. For further information, including application forms, please consult the International Law Fellowship Programme (*click here*) or contact the Codification Division (e-mail ilfp@un.org).

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2015 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 6 October 2015

Security Council

[archived video]

7528th meeting

The situation in Mali

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Mali (S/2015/732)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of Mali to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Mongi Hamdi, Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali, to participate in the meeting under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Hamdi.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Mali.

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Main Committees

Third Committee

[archived video]

1st meeting

The Chair of the Committee, His Excellency Omar Hilale (Morocco), opened the meeting and made a statement.

Organization of work

The Chair drew the Committee's attention to the letter from the President of the General Assembly on the allocation of items to the Third Committee (A/C.3/70/1), the proposed organization of work (A/C.3/70/L.1/Rev.1) and documentation before the Committee (A/C.3/70/L.1/Add.1/Rev.1), as well as to the relevant recommendations contained in document A/70/250.

The Secretary made a statement.

The Committee approved its provisional organization of work and documentation before the Committee, contained in documents A/C.3/70/L.1/Rev.1 and A/C.3/70/L.1/Add.1/Rev.1.

The Committee was informed that a rolling list of speakers would be maintained under each agenda item.

Invitations to special procedures mandate holders of the Human Rights Council and Chairs of treaty bodies or working groups

The Committee agreed to extend invitations to the Special procedure mandate-holders of the Human Rights Council and other experts mandated to present their reports, to do so and interact with the Committee at the present session.

Programme planning [item 135]

The Chair advised the Committee that no action was expected under the item. The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Appointment of Facilitator

The Chair appointed the Vice-Chair, Mr. Shiraz Arif Mohamed (Guyana), to facilitate the Chair's text of the draft resolution on the follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women.

Social development [item 28]

(a) Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly

(b) Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family

(c) Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing

The Committee began its consideration of item 28 and its sub-items. Introductory statements were made by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, the Director of the Division for Social Policy and Development of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, and the Chief of the United Nations Volunteer Programme Office in New York.

The Committee also heard an introductory statement by the Independent expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons, who subsequently responded to the questions and comments made by the representatives of El Salvador, Singapore, Argentina, the European Union, Brazil, Morocco, Slovenia, Yemen, the United States and Chile.

General discussion

The Committee began its general discussion of the item and heard statements by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Sierra Leone (on behalf of the Group of African States), Ecuador (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC)), the Philippines (on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)), the European Union (also on behalf of the candidate countries Turkey, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania; the country of Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova, Armenia and Georgia), the Netherlands, Egypt, Colombia and Slovenia.

2nd meeting

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The Committee continued its general discussion of item 28 and heard statements by the representatives of Morocco, Mexico, the United States, Italy, Finland, Singapore, Peru, the Syrian Arab Republic, Paraguay, the Republic of Korea, Cuba, Thailand, Algeria, the Russia Federation, Switzerland, Germany, Chile, Kazakhstan, Tunisia, Senegal, Ireland, United Arab Emirates, Nicaragua, Jamaica, Iraq, Turkey, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Norway, Armenia, Austria, Belgium, Viet Nam and Pakistan.

A statement was also made by the observer of the Holy See.

Organization of work

The Vice-Chair (Guyana) made a statement.

Summary of official meetings held away from Headquarters

Tuesday, 6 October 2015

Economic and Social Council

Twentieth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific
Jeju Island, Republic of Korea (6-9 October 2015)

1st meeting

Opening of the Conference [item 1]

The President of the Nineteenth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific opened the Conference and made a statement.

Mr. Greg Scott of the Statistical Division in the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs made a statement.

His Excellency Hyung Koo Yao, Vice Minister for Land, Infrastructure and Transport of the Republic of Korea, made a statement.

His Excellency Hee-ryong Won, Governor of Jeju Special Self-Governing Province, Republic of Korea, made a statement.

Election of the President and other officers of the Conference [item 2]

The Conference elected Mr. Hiroshi Murakami (Japan) as the President of the Twentieth Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific, by acclamation.

The Conference elected Mr. Choe Byong Nam (Republic of Korea) and Mr. Khurelshagai Ayurzana (Mongolia) as Vice-Presidents; and Mr. Li Pengde (China) as Rapporteur, by acclamation.

Mr. Choe Byong Nam (Republic of Korea), as Vice-President, made a statement.

Mr. Khurelshagai Ayurzana (Mongolia), as Vice-President, made a statement.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [item 3]

(a) Adoption of the agenda and organization of work of the Conference

The Conference adopted the provisional agenda as contained in document E/CONF.104/1* and the draft organization of work as contained in document E/CONF.104/L.1, on the understanding that the Conference will make adjustments to it, as necessary.

(b) Adoption of the rules of procedure

The Conference adopted the provisional rules of procedure as contained in document E/CONF.104/2.

(c) Establishment of technical committees and election of the Chair of each committee

The Conference decided to establish Committee I, "Geodetic Reference Frame"; Committee II, "Disaster Risk Management"; Committee III, "Regional SDI"; Committee IV, "Cadastre and Land Management"; and elected by acclamation the following persons as their respective chairs: Mr. John Dawson (Australia), Mr. Toru Nagayama (Japan), Ms. Jiang Jie (China), and Mr. Sanghoon Lee (Republic of Korea).

(d) Credentials of representatives to the Conference

The President made a statement.

Report of the United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management [item 4]

Mr. Greg Scott of the United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management secretariat made a statement.

The meeting was suspended.

The meeting was resumed.

The representatives of Australia and the Republic of Korea made statements.

Report of the Regional Committee of United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management for Asia and the Pacific [item 5]

Mr. Li Pengde (China), President of the Global Geospatial Information Management for Asia and the Pacific, made an introductory statement.

Mr. John Dawson (Australia), Chair of the United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management for Asia and the Pacific Working Group 1, made a statement.

2nd meeting

The summary of the 2nd meeting of the Twentieth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2015/193).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Declarations recognizing as compulsory the jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice under Article 36, paragraph 2, of the Statute of the Court. 15 October 1946

Declaration under article 36 (2) of the Statute: Japan (6 October 2015)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *October 2015* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Sierra Leone
His Excellency Vandi Chidi Minah

Asia-Pacific States:
Cambodia
His Excellency Ry Tuy

Eastern European States:
Slovakia
His Excellency František Ružička

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Saint Kitts and Nevis
(To be confirmed)

Western European and other States:
Ireland
His Excellency David Donoghue

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Security Council

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Website of the Presidency

The website of the Presidency of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

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Information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by clicking on "Programme of work" on the website of the Security Council at www.un.org/en/sc; or by calling to 1 (212) 963-5258.

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Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

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These easy to use kiosks are located on the ground floor just after the First Avenue entrance security checkpoint and on the second floor next to the Café. DGACM welcomes feedback, questions or comments pertaining to the information kiosks, which can be addressed to help-desk@un.org.

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